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MAY WE *Quote* YOU ON THAT?

[1] CLEMENT R ATTLEE, head of British Labor Party: "There is no alternative to co-existence, except perhaps co-death." . . . [2] Lord STRANG, retired Under-Sec'y of British For'gn Office: "If peace is something more than mere absence of total war, then 'peaceful co-existence' is not to be hoped for." . . . [3] Dr EELCO VAN KLEFFENS, pres, UN Gen'l Assembly: "Mere co-existence will not satisfy people; corpses can also co-exist." . . . [4] SEABORN P COLLINS, American Legion Nat'l Commander: "Co-existence, Russian style, means coercion. What they are really offering is nat'l suicide on the installment plan." . . . [5] JOHN FOSTER DULLES, Sec'y of State: "Most Americans have come to realize that it is no longer possible to turn back the clock and seek security thru isolation. We also know we cannot afford to gamble our safety and our survival on arrangements and programs that have no reasonable prospect of providing genuine security." . . .

Quotes of the Week

Sen Jos R McCARTHY (R-Wis): "I do not care whether I am censured or not, but I will fight against establishing a precedent which will curb investigative power and assist any administration in power to cover up its misdeeds."

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London Times, commenting on Senate committee recommendation to censure Sen McCarthy: "This is an example of . . . the ultimate sanity of American democratic processes."

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[6] VAL PETERSON, U S Civil Defense Administrator, addressing State Defense Directors: "The people are going to leave your big cities when they learn that Russian bombers are approaching." . . .

[7] Dr GORDON M SHRUM, head of British Columbia Research Council: "With guided missiles traveling at 3,000 mi's per hr, you will have just 6 min's warning in which to evacuate your cities."

FOURTEENTH YEAR OF PUBLICATION



We are on the eve of a Second Industrial Revolution which promises to be as consequential as was the development of power mach'y in the 18th and 19th centuries.

Our reference is to the Age of Automation. The word is so new you will find it in only the most recently edited dictionaries. It is a gen'l term implying the automatic control of machines. The "automatic" machine is hardly an innovation. But the development has been advanced so rapidly since War II that the wholesale displacement of unskilled labor in our mass-production plants is now clearly indicated. In an increasing number of pilot plants thruout the land one may now observe entire batteries of intricate machines that virtually "run themselves" requiring only a minimum of highly-skilled supervision.

Leaders in almost every industry

are considering the possibilities of "automation." Two important new industrial jnls have been recently established to deal exclusively with the problems and processes of the new "automatic era." Within the next decade multiplied millions of dollars will be invested in the development of ingenious machines to displace not only the muscles but the minds of men. The public has a vague notion that all this is in some way related to the mysteries of electronics. In this they are partially correct. Some of the more spectacular developments do apply electronic devices; others do not. Automation is a principle broader than any single process.

Significantly, the unions have not fought the development of automatic machines. Thru the 20th Century labor has observed that while mechanization of industry results in temporary displacements, in the long run there will be more and better jobs for all concerned—shorter hrs and higher wages. This is in striking contrast to the attitude of workers who smashed Eneland's cotton looms a little more than a century ago.



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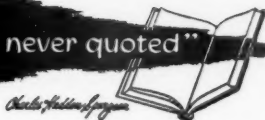
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ACTION—1

In our thinking we must preserve an open and enquiring mind, an ability to see things thru the eyes of our opponents, a skill for understanding the motives and thoughts of those whom we oppose. Yet we must *act* in the light of the best knowledge and reason available to us at the moment.—CARLETON WASHBURN, *The World's Good: Education for World-Mindedness* (Day).

AGE—Youth—2

The past century was "the century of the child." We are now beginning "the century of old people." . . . In 50 yrs science has added 20 yrs to the life span, so that today our country has 19 million people above 60 yrs. Most of them are dependent on relatives or gov't for support.—S L MORGAN, Sr, *Watchman-Examiner*.

AGRICULTURE—3

But all it takes to be a successful farmer is faith, hope and parity.—*Pipe Dreams*, hm, Universal Concrete Pipe Co.

BEHAVIOR—4

Always hold your head up but be careful to keep your nose at a friendly level. — *Times of Brazil*, Sao Paulo.

CHILD—Discipline—5

The trouble with some of today's smart children is that they don't smart in the right place.—*N Dakota Teacher*.

CHILD—Training—6

Parents represent the last stand of the amateur. Every other trade and profession has developed standards, has required study and practice and licensing before releasing the student into his work. . . . Only one profession remains untutored and untrained — the bearing and rearing of our children.—EVELYN MILLIS DUVAL, *Marriage and Family Living*.

CHURCH—Attendance—7

People are flocking to church today in ever-increasing numbers in order to learn and practice the techniques of peace of mind, to learn how to live together and how to build a better world. People do not go to church merely to be good, but to be good for something. — NORMAN VINCENT PEALE, *Look*.

COMMUNISM—Anti—8

The most effective anti-communist work is probably that being done quietly by Justice, FBI and Immigration and Naturalization Service. In 16 mo's this has resulted in 81 convictions and 120 indictments of communist leaders; added 62 new organizations to Justice's list of "subversive groups" for a total of 255; deported 105 alien subversives and ordered deportation of 268; barred entry of 140 for'gn subversives. — *Whaley-Eaton Service Letter*, Washington.

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Experts figure the special session of the Senate Nov 8, to consider the McCarthy censure issue, will cost about \$100,000. Travel allowances alone for Senators will run approx \$60,000.

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Gag around Nat'l Institute of Health here is about the newest in health-protection cigaret holders: A guinea pig is inserted in the holder; as soon as he dies of lung cancer, he is removed and another inserted in his place. . . Sen Rob't S Kerr (D-Okla) predicts: "Ike is going to find that his over-all golf score is likely to be 108—in in '52, out in '56."

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Nat'l Demo big-shots were relieved when Harriman beat FDR Jr for the N Y party gubernatorial nomination. Young Roosevelt was a leader of the anti-South contingent at the nat'l convention in '52. Hoping for harmony in '56, party leaders dreaded prospect of FDR Jr heading huge N Y delegation at the next convention. Harriman, more of a moderate, will lead N Y group if he wins the governorship.

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Introduced at a Washington luncheon the other day as "just back from a junket to Europe," Senate For'gn Relations Committee Chmn Alexander Wiley (R-Wis) quickly protested: "That was no junket; it was an odyssey."

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DICTATORSHIP—Democracy—9

There are two truths that history should burn into our minds about dictatorships. The 1st is that such a form of gov't has the appeal of efficiency, which it sometimes provides. The 2nd is the cost at which this efficiency is purchased, for that cost is everything we count dear and precious.—GORDON SABINE, address to Idaho Education Ass'n.

ECONOMICS—10

The purse strings of the world are better manipulated by the many hands of the homemakers of the world than by the powerful fists of a few dictators.—R G BRESSLER, Jr, Univ of Calif, "The Purse Strings of the World," *Jnl of Home Economics*, 9-'54.

EDUCATION—11

Think more about means whereby the gifted child can be given special opportunities. Unless able men lead us, unable men will.—GRAYSON KIRK, pres, Columbia Univ, addressing N E A.

ENVY—12

Every time you turn green with envy, you're ripe for trouble.—*Lansing State Jnl*.

FRANCHISE—13

A citizen has a complex duty. He ought to express his opinion and make up his mind on the principal public issues. He ought never to miss the ballot box. And when he casts his vote for somebody, he should weigh that somebody in the scale of morals, which includes intellectual integrity. —HERBERT HOOVER, former Pres.

Mining the Magazines



Maybe you can charge it to the invasion of the comic book, but at any rate magazines for boys have not prospered in these late yrs. Yr ago *The Open Road* found too many road blocks; merged with the veteran *American Boy* (which had in turn previously absorbed a youth magazine called *Mark Trail*.) Now the word comes that *American Boy-Open Road* is not prospering, and is even now on the block.

Periodical publishers, noting the \$20 million annual volume of advertising garnered by 3 "magazine-type" television programs (*Home, Today and Tonight*) flirt with the idea of some sort of a magazine-television tie-in, to be sold the advertiser as a unit. Matter of fact magazine men missed the boat. When this type of tv program was 1st planned, one of the big monthlies in the women's field was approached to provide editorial material. Offer was spurned. Subsequently Tom Farrell tried to sell his expiring *Woman* to NBC as an adjunct of their domestic tv programs, but rec'd no encouragement. If magazines and tv interests do not get together within a yr, one of the broadcasting nets is likely to launch a competitive periodical. The combination space-and-time deal for advertisers is too alluring to pass up.

Writing about current fiction in the *New Statesman & Nation*

Punch, British humor wkly, noting that office boys are being rapidly replaced by girls, observes: "This disclosure comes as a relief to the pre-occupied executive who, without having time to take disciplinary measures, has vaguely noticed that the office boy's hair had at last reached the shoulder."

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(London) J B Priestley brings up an interesting point that young writers make their central characters too deliberately unheroic. "They often seem such bumbling idiots that it is hard to sympathize with them in their misfortunes."

Prof Alfred McClung Lee, writing in *The Committee Reporter*, organ of the American Jewish Committee, asserts that despite strong opposition from both college presidents and student bodies, Greek letter fraternities and sororities continue to practice racial and religious discrimination in selecting mbrs. "A large and growing segment of the nation's future leadership is being prepared in an environment that endorses such prejudiced attitudes."

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FRIENDSHIP—14

It is the friendship unstrengthened by argument that often sinks into an early grave.—PETER QUENNEL, *Perspectives USA*.

GIFTS—Giving—15

A cup that is already full cannot have more added to it. In order to receive the further good to which we are entitled, we must give of that which we have.—MARGARET BECKER, "There is But One Source," *Wkly Unity*, 9-26-'54.

GOD—and MAN—16

Thru the ages man has worshiped a Supreme Being. His faith has been his greatest solace in heavy going. When any ruler starts playing rough with him in this respect he is taking the losing end. The dictator who makes it dangerous to kneel at an altar railing is going off the deep end, and the Free World may be getting its best break if the Soviet Union tries to throw an Iron Curtain between man and his God.—H I PHILLIPS, quoted in *Information*.

GOVERNMENT—17

No people has ever been known to govern itself and none ever will. All gov't is oligarchic: it necessarily implies the domination of the many by a few.—MAURICE DUVERGER, *Political Parties*, translated by BARBARA and ROB'T NORTH (Methuen, England).

HISTORY—18

After you have heard two eyewitness accounts of an auto accident, you begin to wonder about history.—*Changing Times*.

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HONESTY—19

We may well ask ourselves how successful will the school be in teaching honesty when in the home father boasts gleefully at the dinner table about a sharp business deal or how lucky he was when the filling station attendant forgot to charge him for that extra qt of oil.—GEO E ROTTER, *Social Education*.

HUMAN RELATIONS—20

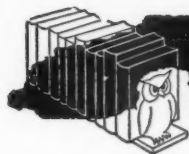
Gov'ts are nation-minded; religions are church-minded; businessmen are business-minded. But altho all of these exist for the benefit of humanity, none seems to be truly people-minded.—HARRY ELMER BARNES in *Introduction to Out of Confusion* by MANMATHA NATH CHATTERJEE (Antioch).

INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS—21

We have split atoms; we have built airplanes which have conquered space and distance. We have opened mkts all over the world. We have brought people close together within hrs and min's of each other. But no one has found how we can live with all of the other peoples, cultures, races, personalities and religions in that world community—a community which is now smaller than the 13 colonies were in the days of Geo Washington.—JOHN HARVEY FURBAY, "The Challenge of Education for One World," *Jnl of Home Economics*, 9-'54.

KINDNESS—22

Too many people today are in too much of a hurry to take time to be kind. Yet, kindness does as much for the one who shows it as for those who receive it.—A POWELL DAVIES, *Childhood Education*.



Book Briefs

The comic book industry now has its czar: Judge Chas F Murphy, a New York magistrate who has organized a number of projects aimed at reducing juvenile delinquency. Judge Murphy, a Catholic, will be charged with administering a code, now being formulated by 23 participating publishers. It will forbid words "horror" or "terror" in titles; will ban "lurid, gruesome or unsavory illustrations," and will bar portrayal of crime in a way that would foster imitation or promote distrust of law-enforcement agencies. Salacious illustrations and suggestive scenes are also banned. In answer to a direct question, Judge Murphy observed: "When I get thru, I think there will be no need for remedial legislation."

Participating publishers will display the ass'n seal of approval in a designated position on the cover of each book reviewed and ok'd by Judge Murphy and his staff.

Principal publisher outside the fold is Dell, whose comics are generally considered "wholesome." A 2nd publisher, Entertaining Comics, has declined to join because the code does not specifically ban crime and horror comics. Head of this firm, Wm Gaines, a pioneer in the "horror" field, has announced immediate suspension of 5 titles totaling 800,000 monthly circulation.

From teas in any weather
Where lady authors gather
Whose hats are largely feather,
Whose cocktails do not wither,
Who quote from Proust and
Cather

(With penitence toward neither)

Away in haste I slither
Feeling I need a breather.

—PHYLLIS MCGINLEY, *Love Letters* (Viking).

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The British author, Harold Nicolson, writing in *The Observer* (London) makes an interesting charge that the novel, as a literary form, has expired. "It has filled its mission by a massive analysis of human feelings and motives extending . . . over 200 yrs. I do not see that it has much more to say."

"Miss Frances" (Dr Frances Horwich) of the NBC television show, *Ding Dong School*, a popular program for pre-school children, has just issued a book for adults, *Having Fun With Your Children* (Prentice-Hall). Purpose is to make it easy for parents to use the author's techniques in guiding youngsters in creative play and social behavior.

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"Some one had blunder'd"

Anyone who has thrilled to Alfred Lord Tennyson's account of the unquestioning bravery of British soldiery, "The Charge of the Light Brigade," will in turn be appalled by Cecil Woodham-Smith's *The Reason Why* (McGraw-Hill), which recounts the blunders which led to the senseless, tragic charge in the Crimea 100 yrs ago (Oct 25, 1854).

The author draws a documented damning picture of the inept leaders whose confused orders sent the Light Brigade into a dead-end valley to be cut down by murderous Russian fire from 3 sides.

The blame could fall on several: on Army commander Lord Raglan, who wrote the vague, ambiguous order, or on Lord Lucan, who relayed it, or on Lord Cardigan, who hated his relative, Lucan, so much that he began the charge rather than remonstrate and ask for clearer explanations. It is suggested that the fault lay with the British system of purchasing rank, which allowed these 3 incompetents to buy commands and, thru their inexperience, to sentence 409 of 607 horsemen to useless death.

Fixing the blame, however, cannot lessen the tragedy Tennyson brings to us in these lines:

"Theirs not to reason why,
Theirs but to do and die."

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MARRIED LIFE—23

The classified legal notices in our daily papers are usually filled with heartbreaking announcements about broken marriages. Here's one with a different twist:

"I am responsible for all debts and obligations of my wife, Selma, both present and future, and am more than happy to be the provider for a woman who has borne me two lovely children, and with an overabundance of love and care has made the past 8 yrs of married life the nicest yrs of my life. On this, our 8th anniv, I wish to publicly express my gratitude. Henry Burns."—*Philadelphia Evening Bulletin*.

OPTIMISM—24

An optimist is a guy who tells you to cheer up when things are going his way.—MIKE CONNOLLY, *Hollywood Reporter*.

PEACE—25

Every time we hold our tongues instead of returning the sharp retort show patience with another's faults, show a little more love and kindness, we are helping to stockpile more of these peace-bringing qualities in the world instead of armaments for war. — CONSTANCE FOSTER, "Stockpiling Peace," *Good Business*, 10-'54.

PREACHERS—Preaching—25

A preacher once asked Joseph Jefferson the actor, "Why is it you always have a great audience, while I always have only a small one?"

Jefferson ans'd, "I act as if I believe in what I say, while you preach as if you did not believe what you preached." — *Wesleyan Christian Advocate*.

Pathways to the Past



Week of
Oct 24-30

Reformation Wk (24-31)

Cleaner Air Wk

Nat'l Popcorn Wk

Nat'l Catholic Youth Wk

Nat'l Honey Wk

Oct 24—World Order Sunday. . . *Sukkot: Hebrew Feast of Tabernacles* (24 & 25). . . *United Nations Day* (5th anniv of U N bldg dedication). . . Thos Jefferson sold his vast personal library to the gov't 140 yrs ago (1814) to replace the original Library of Congress, burned during British invasion of the Capital. . . 100 yrs ago (1854) Florence Nightingale set out for the Near East, where she nursed the wounded of the Crimean War, reduced hospital death toll from 42% to 2%, and earned her title "Lady with the Lamp" by her nightly rounds among the sick. . . *Down We Go:* 25 yrs ago (1929) the stock market collapsed, ending the greatest era of prosperity in U S history.

Oct 25—Feast of St Crispin. . . In a Crimean battle 100 yrs ago (1854), the Light Brigade made its gallant, bloody (409 of 607 killed) and futile charge, remembered chiefly because of Tennyson's poem in its honor. . . Alfred B Fall, Sec'y of Interior under Pres Harding, became 1st Cabinet mbr ever to be convicted of a crime 25 yrs ago (1929) when found guilty of accepting a bribe in Tea Pot Dome oil scandal.

Oct 26 — The Hartford (Conn) Courant, oldest U S newspaper still in existence, 1st published 190 yrs ago (1764). . . Want to feel old? Jackie Coogan (star of *The Kid*) is 40 today; co-star Chas Chaplin turned 65 this yr.

Oct 27—Navy Day. . . Going underground en masse, crowds jammed the stations as the N Y C subway opened 50 yrs ago (1904).

Oct 28—250th anniv (1704) d of English philosopher John Locke, who pooh-poohed heredity, called sensory experience source of all knowledge. . . Not the 1st American with his head in the clouds, Moses McFarland nonetheless took out 1st U S aeronautical patent 155 yrs ago (1799). . . Congress, engulfed by a "dry wave," passed the Volstead Act enforcing Prohibition 35 yrs ago (1919) over Pres Wilson's veto.

Oct 29—The Great Depression really began on Black Thursday 25 yrs ago (1929) when stock mkt prices hit their all-time low and broke brokers began dropping like rain from skyscraper windows.

Oct 30 — Beggar's Night (children's traditional pre-Hallowe'en "tricks-or-treats" time). . . The employer's boon and the worker's bane, the time-clock, was patented 60 yrs ago (1894).

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"Of all things!"

Speaking before the Nat'l Press Club in Washington a fortnight ago, Labor Sec'y Mitchell expressed a belief that many policies and pronouncements publicly espoused by such groups as the U S Chamber of Commerce and the Nat'l Ass'n of Manufacturers do not express the convictions of a total membership.

The accuracy of this criticism is not our present concern. Significance lies in the fact that such an opinion should in any degree be tenable. We note in recent yrs a disturbing tendency amongst spokesmen of regional and nat'l groups to amplify articulately the voice of the little man who isn't there. Obviously no directorate has a moral right to speak in the name of its total membership unless and until each individual has been heard. Certainly we must have leadership. But we need also a closer liaison. Only last month the head of a women's organization was heard to assert that "our 400,000 mbrs believe . . ." when in simple truth, on that specific and controversial issue, no poll had been taken.

Complete unanimity is a figment of fiction. And, as a practical matter, majority opinion must prevail. First, however, we should be assured that a true majority speaks. And: Don't pigeonhole that minority rep't. Neglected minorities have a fecund faculty of multiplying in confinement.

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PROGRESS—27

Progress begins with getting a clear view of the obstacles.—*Sunshine Mag.*

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Emergencies have always been necessary to progress. It was darkness which produced the lamp. It was fog that produced the compass. It was hunger that drove us to exploration. And it took a depression to teach us the real value of a job.—*Kosair Kolums.*

SCIENCE—28

Science that jumps to measurement too soon is as unsound as science that ignores measurement too long.—JOHN RODGERS, *Science Digest.*

SELF—Control—29

Man's control over nature and his physical environment has raced so far ahead of his control over himself and his social institutions that the very foundations of modern civilization are threatened.—NEWTON EDWARDS, Univ of Chicago, "Education of the Able Student—Social Significance and Goals," *The School Review*, 9-'54

SOLITUDE—30

We have been so impressed by the need for socialization that if one of our children indicates that he wants to be alone, we are worried and think something must be wrong. There are times when the most socially-minded of us feels he *must* get away from people. . . We must be alone to achieve a wholeness of mind and spirit which makes living a joy.—Mrs CLARENCE HAMILTON, "A Room of His Own!" *Minutes*, hm, Farm Bureau Ins Co.

SPEECH—Speaking—31

Convention speaker: "Those are not my own figures I am quoting. They are the figures of someone who knows what he is talking about."—*Indiana Teacher*.

TELEVISION—32

TV is just like summer stock except that fall never comes.—CELESTE HOLM.

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It seems to me that movies on television are just like furniture—they're either early American or old English.—*Tit-Bits*, London.

THOUGHT—Control—33

A nation that silences or intimidates original minds is left only with unoriginal minds and cannot hope to hold its own in the competition of peace or of war.—HENRY STEELE COMMAGER, *Freedom, Loyalty, Dissent* (Oxford Univ Press).

WORLD RELATIONS—34

Isolationism is based on a complete misunderstanding of the facts of life. We can't "pull in our horns." We haven't any horns to pull.

Recently the U S Bureau of Mines published a list of 38 minerals absolutely essential to the American economy. Of these, we are self-sufficient in only 9. Our ships go all over the world to find the others. Take manganese, essential to the production of steel: Thirteen lbs, or thereabouts, are req'd for each ton of steel. Of these 13 lbs we produce domestically just 2½ lbs.—Mrs OSWALD B LORD, U S Rep on Human Rights Commission of UN, *Public Opinion Quarterly*.

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The peoples of the world wouldn't have to resort to arms if they'd use their heads.—*Grit*.

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Good Stories.....

you can use

Master bridge players are supposed to be marvels at mathematics and wizards at logic. They rarely are. Some yrs ago Eddie Hymes, the late Lou Watson, and Sam Fry, friends of long standing, journeyed to Chicago to participate in a national bridge tournament. The only hotel accommodations available were a double and single room. They matched for the single and Fry won. Next morning Hymes told Fry that Louis had snored thru the entire night. "It will ruin my play," he said. "It's only fair that *you* room with him tonight." Fry agreed. And so it went thru the week. On alternate mornings Fry and Hymes emerged weary, wan and worn.

Later, when Hymes related the experience to his wife, the little woman (who had never won a master point in her life) asked the obvious question—a solution that had never occurred to anyone concerned: "-----"-----
-----?"—FRED SCHWED, Jr & SAM FRY, Jr. "The Brainiest Game," *Holiday*, 10-'54. a

We overheard a question from a young man who must have had experience with women. The girl with him was boarding a bus and called over her shoulder, "Meet me at the Library at 7!" "Okay," he answered cheerily. "What time will you be there?"—FRANCES RODMAN. b

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I LAUGHED AT THIS ONE

AL BARBETT

My sister was assigned to teach cooking at a backwoods consolidated school. To get things off to a pleasant start she told the girls they had made a wise choice in electing to take the course. By becoming good cooks, the teacher said, they could more easily catch a husband.

One of the country girls countered, and with a straight face, "Fellas around here ain't so interested in eatin'. Drinkin' an' shootin' an' sparkin' is mainly what they're interested in. Got any new ideas on those subjects?"—True.

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The salesman, noticing a sweet young thing on the curb, leaned out of his car and called, "Pardon me, Miss, but . . . er . . ."

"No," she retorted, "you've never met me in N Y, Atlantic City or Hollywood. I wasn't at the party last month or at Charlie's Bar. I know I'm good-looking and I'm not bashful. I'm not waiting for a bus or going your way. I'm not lonely and I just had dinner, and I've got lots of boy friends and my real sweetie pie weighs 220 and plays left tackle. Now were you going to say something?"

Said the salesman, "Yes, dammit. You're losing your skirt."—*American Eagle*, hm, American Forest Products Corp'n. c

Wise

Cracks

As any observant person knows, the mark of distinction among the younger sporting set is to drive a low-slung English sports-car. These are the lineal descendants of the Stutz Bearcat and coon coat. Of course, you don't just *drive* such a vehicle. You propel it, or even almost fly it, all with an air of complete nonchalance. We were present the other day when the mother of one of the young ladies who is often invited to be whisked thru the streets in one of these missiles was inquiring about their safety. The youth who was being quizzed was assuring her that there was certainly no danger when *he* was at the wheel. He explained his driving technique in a manner that was intended to allay all fears. "And anyway," he concluded, "I wear a safety belt."—*Montrealer*. **d**

Did you hear about the narrow-minded man who applauds by slapping his ears together?—*American Eagle*, hm, American Forest Products Corp'n. **e**

The daughter of a clergyman was asked, "Sadie, does your papa ever preach the same sermon twice?"

Sadie indulged in a moment's reflection and then repl'd, "Yes, I think he does; but I think he hollers in different places."—*Arkansas Baptist*. **f**

One place history seldom repeats itself is in the classroom.—FRANKLIN P JONES.

Definition of a really small town: where they have to widen the main street to put the white line down the middle. — JACK BENNY.

When fathers are asked to shell out, children usually expect more than peanuts.—JOS SCHROFF, High Points.

An engagement: A period of urge on the verge of a merge.—Indianapolis Star.

Bill Collector: a man who doesn't believe in putting off until tomorrow what can be dunned today.—Changing Times.

We all know it isn't human to be perfect and too many of us take advantage of it.—Corbin (Ky) Daily Tribune.

You are young only once. After that you have to think up some other excuse. — Jacksonville (N Car) News & Views.

Women are the sex that believes that if you charge it, it's not spending, and if you add a cherry to it, it's not intoxicating.—Pipe Dreams, hm, Universal Concrete Pipe Co.

Quote



A Soviet official was explaining to his audience the ways in which the communists were reducing the cost of living.

He talked on and on, about mkts full of goods.

Finally, one woman got up and objected.

"I know what you say is not true," she said. "I go the rounds of the mkts all the time, and the prices are high, and the goods are scarce."

"Comrade," said the party official, "take my advice. Go to the mkts less, and read the newspaper more."—CECIL BROWN, "Humor Behind the Iron Curtain," *New Outlook*, 9-54.

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A Russian official whispered to his best friend: "Did I tell you that Iwan Illitsch had a fatal accident?"

"Ha ha ha, look over there. There he is right now."

"Psst, he doesn't even know it himself yet." — *Aerzte-Kalender*, Germany (QUOTE translation).

Granny was reminding her granddaughter to wash her hands before going to school.

"Oh, that isn't necessary," the tot reassured her, "I'm not one of those kids who's always raising her hand in class!"—*Dixie Roto Mag*.

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While stopping at a New England hotel, a high-pressure N Y exec was suddenly taken ill. The elderly physician who attended him was much too deliberate for his taste. "Don't know why I'm letting you take care of me in the 1st place," snapped the exec. "Guess I just have a lot of faith in fools."

"Yup," repl'd the old country doctor agreeably. "I can see you have a remarkable amount of self-confidence."—*Pageant*. h

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An antique collector, passing thru a small village, stopped to watch an old man chopping wood with an ancient ax.

"That's a mighty old ax you have there," remarked the collector.

"Yes," said the villager, "it once belonged to George Washington."

"Not really!" gasped the collector. "It certainly stood up well."

"Of course," admitted the old man, "it's had 3 new handles and 2 new heads."—*Atlas News*, hm, *Atlas Auto Finance Co*. i

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Family pride in an athletic son can reach great heights, but it was equalled by the partisanship of one father for the local team in which his son played scrum-half.

When an important match was being played some distance from home, he asked his son to wire the result.

That evening the telegram came, bearing the curt message: "Collarbone and one rib broken."

"Yes yes," exclaimed the father, impatiently, "but he doesn't say who won."—*Tit-Bits*, London. j

A clerk, checking over an applicant's papers, was amazed to note the figures 127 and 123 in the spaces reserved for, "Age of father, if living," and "Age of mother, if living."

"Surely your parents aren't that old?" the surprised clerk questioned.

"Nope," was the answer, "but they would be, if living."—*L & N Mag*, hm, Louisville & Nashville Ry. **k**



The Mayor of a Midwestern city has ordered department heads to observe a 30-minute "think period" upon reporting at 8 A.M.—News item.

We picture these department heads,

Arrived at 8 A.M.,

Each thinking, as he's ordered to, A thought—an old one or a new—

A stinker or a gem.

One thinks about a game of golf,

One thinks about a debt,

One thinks about his wife and child,

And one, a little bit more wild,

Thinks thoughts he'd best forget.

One thinks of happy boyhood days,

One's thoughts would make you creep.

One bows his head and works his brains,

Another does the same and gains A half hour more of sleep.

The young father, pushing a baby carriage, seemed quite unperturbed by the wails emerging from it.

"Easy now, Albert," he said quietly, "control yourself. Keep calm."

Another howl rang out.

"Now, now, Albert," murmured the parent. "Keep your temper."

A young mother passing by remarked, "I must congratulate you! You know just how to speak to babies—calmly, gently." She patted the youngster on the head and cooed, "What's bothering you, Albert?"

"No, no," cried the father, "his name is Johnny. I'm Albert."—*American Wkly.* **l**

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It has finally been determined what is meant by the hammer and sickle on the Russian flag. The sickle is to mow 'em down and the hammer is to keep 'em that way. — *McCall Spirit*, hm, McCall Corp'n. **m**

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A fellow we know dropped into a French Consulate one warm day recently to pick up a visaed passport, and from what he saw he got the impression that he had arrived right at the height, or the depth, of a mid-afternoon let-down. A leaden-eyed stenographer was typing with such a vacant stare on her face that our friend stole a glance at the paper to see what she was composing. What he saw was, "*Maintenant est le temps pour tous les bonhommes venir l'aide du parti . . .*"—*Speaking of Holiday*, hm, *Holiday*. **n**

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Quote-ettes

GINA LOLLOBRIGIDA, Italy's answer to Marilyn Monroe: "If you buy a dress and put the back in front, that is the (Dior) fashion. That is the new look. It is horrible." 1-Q-t

" " Veteran Boston Communist, complaining about loss of party contact since the Reds went underground: "This is a hell of a situation. Today, I couldn't prove I was a communist if I had to." 2-Q-t

" " HUMPHREY BOGART: "It's all right for a husband to be a breadwinner, but too many women expect him to be a bakery." 3-Q-t

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Aberdeen (Scotland) scientists have just built an iron lung for lobsters. Our 1st startled reaction to this bit of news was that we didn't know lobsters ever had polio. But on further investigation we learned that this iron lung is simply used to measure the exact oxygen needs of lobsters in captivity.

Why the concern about how much oxygen a captured lobster needs? Very simple; lobsters caught in summer bring poor prices. The canny Scots are devising ways of storing live lobsters till winter, when selling them is more profitable.

In Denmark, it's the fish who

have no chance. A trout expert and scientific worker, Arne Joecker, claims he can freeze fish alive and revive them after a month. First he dopes the fish with a chemical which slows its normal gill action. Then it is frozen quickly to -4 to -40 degrees, and remains in this chilly condition for 2 days. By then it's glazed with ice and can be put in an ice block. It doesn't matter whether fish is fresh or saltwater.

Idea back of this rather grisly sounding performance is that it may lead to possibility of shipping Danish luxury fish, like trout, all over the world at a reasonable cost.

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